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FOLLOWING REPEATATHENS 8009 ACTION SENT TO ANKARA NICOSIA

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SUBJ: POSSIBLE TURKISH MILITARY MOVE ON CYPRUS

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DEPT PLEASE PASS TO THE SECRETARY'S PARTY FOR HARTMAN

AND TO ANKARA AND NICOSIA

1. DURING A PRIVATE MEETING I HAD WITH FOREIGN MINISTER
BITSIOS LAST NIGHT, HE RAISED IN PASSING A MESSAGE HE HAD
JUST RECEIVED FROM AMBASSADOR ALEXANDRAKIS IN WASHINGTON.
HE SAID THAT ALEXANDRAKIS HAD INFORMED THE DEPARTMENT

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OF SOME INFORMATION THAT HAD COME TO HIS ATTENTION FROM

A SERIOUS EUROPEAN SOURCE THAT THE TURKS MIGHT BE CONSIDERING
SOME KIND OF SMALL SCALE COMMANDO OPERATION TO LIBERATE
TURKISH CYPRIOTS IN THE SOUTH. BITSIOS ASKED ME IF I
HAD HEARD ANYTHING ALONG THESE LINES. I SAID THAT THE ONLY
THING I KNEW WAS THAT I HAD ALSO HEARD THAT AMBASSADOR ALEXANDRAKIS
HAD TAKEN THIS MATTER UP ON A VERY PRIVATE BASIS WITH ACTING ASS'T
SECRETARY
LOWENSTEIN. BITSIOS SAID HE JUST WANTED TO MAKE
SURE THAT I WAS AWARE OF ALEXANDRAKIS' DEMARCHE. BITSIOS
HIMSELF SEEMED TO DISCOUNT THE REPORT AND QUICKLY PASSED
OVER IT TO OTHER MATTERS.
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